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National Character and Leadership Symposium Endorsement

Dear CAP Volunteer:

Last November, one of our representatives brought to the National Council's attention an event hosted each year by the United States Air Force Academy: the National Character and Leadership Symposium. We immediately took great interest in this event, and I personally made arrangements to attend on behalf of the Council, in order to gain the information needed to arrange for more CAP members to attend in the future.

My experience at the 2009 NCLS was remarkable! The line-up of distinguished visitors and guest speakers was astounding. Not only did I have the opportunity to spend three days living in the Air Force Academy dormitories with my cadet host, I was able to meet and network with officers and enlisted members of each branch of the service, and with fellow cadets, students, and instructors from a majority of the military academies and institutions, ROTC detachments, and various universities across the nation. Together we were able share experiences, best practices, and preferred approaches to leadership training and development.

We, the National Cadet Advisory Council, are pleased to see that the Cadet Team at National Headquarters will be taking a group of four CAP cadets to attend this year's Symposium. It is our hope that in future years, our involvement with NCLS will only expand. Our intent is to make this enriching experience available to as many of our members as possible.

You can find more information regarding the National Character and Leadership Symposium on the USAFA site at the following link: http://www.usafa.edu/Commandant/cwc/cwcx/ncls/index.cfm?catname=ncls.

The Symposium has been called "one of the premier national symposiums in the area of character development that brings together distinguished scholars, armed forces leaders, corporate presidents and others to explore various dimensions of character and leadership...The Symposium provides cadets the opportunity to engage in dialogue with visiting undergraduate university student leaders from across the country in seminars and colloquia designated to enhance their own understanding of the importance and challenges of sound moral character and leadership."

The Air Force Academy's NCLS truly is a one of a kind experience for any cadet, student, or professional who wishes to attend! We hope that you will considering registering and that you will not forgo this amazing opportunity!

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